



# HARTLAND HIGH SCHOOL

23rd October 2025

## **Urgent Notice: Ban on Aerosol Cans in School**

Dear Parents/Guardians

I am writing to inform you of an important and immediate change to our school policy regarding items students are permitted to bring to school. Effective immediately, all aerosol cans, including deodorant sprays, air fresheners, and hairsprays, are strictly banned from school property.

### **Reason for the Ban**

This decision is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of all students and staff.

Many members of our school community, both students and staff, suffer from severe respiratory conditions such as asthma and various allergies. Exposure to the chemicals and propellants in aerosol sprays can trigger serious, and potentially life-threatening, asthma attacks and allergic reactions. Even a brief spray in a closed space can pose a risk.

We understand that students may wish to freshen up after physical education or other activities. We strongly encourage you to provide your child with roll-on or stick deodorants as a safe and effective alternative.

- Roll-on or stick deodorants are permitted and encouraged.
- Aerosol cans are not permitted for any reason.

Any aerosol products brought to school will be confiscated and will not be returned to students, unless collected by a parent or carer at the end of the day. Repeated breaches of this will result in disciplinary action.

We appreciate your immediate attention to this critical health and safety matter. By working together, we can ensure a safe and healthy learning environment for everyone.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Yours sincerely

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